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April 13, 2010

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Attention: Sue Kiser

Attention: Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is transmitting the following amendment to the California 2008/09 – 2011/12 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies and adds projects in the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (non-MPO) portion of the State.

No. <u>Description</u>

33 State and Local Elements

- Diener Drive to Route 281 Expressway. This amendment programs high priority program, demonstration program, and state cash fund types totaling \$18,451,000 for preliminary engineering in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009/10.
- Bicycle/Pedestrian Grouped Project Listing for Non-Attainment Counties.
 This amendment adds the following new projects in Nevada and Calaveras
 counties: Arnold Rim Trail, Cosgrove Creek Bikeway, Combie Road,
 Memorial Park and Condon Park access improvements, East Main
 Street/Hughes Road, and Legacy Trail Phase 3B.
- Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Grouped Project Listing. Programs \$2,911,950 federal HSIP funds and \$823,550 local match in FY 2011/12 for Cycle 3.
- National Scenic Byways Grouped Project Listing. Programs two new projects in FY 2009/10: Central Sierra Nevada Geo-Tourism Map Guide, and Tioga/Big Oak Flat. Total funding is increased by \$499,000.
- State Highway Operations and Protection Program. Updates costs and schedules for the following grouped project listings: Emergency Repair, Bridge Preservation, Collision Reduction, and Roadway Preservation.

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I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration approve this Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 33 for inclusion into California's FSTIP.

Based upon correspondence from FHWA dated May 27, 2008, projects in non-metropolitan isolated non-attainment areas of the State do not need to meet project conformity to be included in the FSTIP. However, such projects must comply with project level conformity requirements when a Federal action such as a National Environmental Protection Agency decision or obligation of funds, is taken on the project.

This amendment was made available for public review and comment March 26 through April 9. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. An updated financial summary table is provided for this amendment. Amendments containing projected revenue and proposed projects associated with the Jobs for Main Street Act of 2010 have been withdrawn. As a result, the financial summary tables have been revised to exclude that revenue and projects associated with that fund source. In addition, there are no projects in this Amendment No. 33 that are included in any other amendment that is currently open for public review.

Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination for the projects that are federally funded.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI

Chief

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Enclosures

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